WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER

JO-ANN PURCELL AGE: 69
OCCUPATION: Retired Teacher/School District Trustee

For the last four years I have been a tireless fighter for the parents, students, teachers and taxpayers of this District. I oppose turning our school board into an activist political organization and support returning our District back to its basic job... educating our young people and encouraging lifelong learning.

Over the last four years we have accomplished a great deal:

Our "Basic Education" program continues to stress English, Reading, Math and Science as the keys to student success.

All school sites modernized, improving safety and security, using \$22 Million of state funding.

Implemented state of the art technology plan.

Continuous improvement of test scores over the past four years.

The primary student-teacher ratio has been maintained at 20-1, the gold standard for education.

We expanded Pre-school from 7 to 21 classes, giving parents more options and youngsters more chances for success.

We have received highly acclaimed Distinguished Schools awards from the state

I am a retired teacher who has lived here for over 35 years. My late husband and I moved here because it was a great place to raise and educate our children. I want to ensure that's still a possibility today.

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